Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 25 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 26 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 24 Aug 2021 at 16:19 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high. Moderate for amounts of cloud, particularly across the north.

Headline for Wednesday 25 Aug 2021: Mostly dry warm and sunny. Low cloud spreads west in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 25 Aug 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	10%

Forecast for Wednesday 25 Aug 2021

Weather: Clear skies for most through the early hours, but low cloud towards Ben Hope and spreading down the west coast as far as Skye. Low cloud is likely to persist along the west coast north of Skye and the far north through the day, while elsewhere will see a dry warm and sunny day. Low cloud then spreads across Caithness, Easter Ross and the eastern end of the Great Glen towards dusk, perhaps giving some patchy light drizzle.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Very good for most with little or no cloud. But likely to be poor for much of the day towards Ben Hope and perhaps coastal hills in the northwest with cloud often down to 300-400m. Becoming more widely poor across Caithness and Easter Ross towards dusk as extensive cloud above 400m and occasionally to low levels spreads west.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/6 N	7/8 N	9/11 N	9/12 N	8/12 N	8/12 N	8/11 N	8/12 NE	10/14 E
900	5/6 N	6/8 N	9/11 N	7/10 N	8/12 N	8/12 N	8/11 N	8/12 NE	10/14 E
600	3/4 N	3/5 N	6/8 N	6/8 N	7/11 N	8/12 N	7/11 N	7/10 NE	7/11 NE
300	3/5 N	2/6 N	5/9 N	1/6 N	2/8 N	3/6 N	2/8 N	2/10 NE	3/10 NE
Glen	1/2 SW	1/3 SW	1/3 E	2/4 SW	3/7 SW	5/9 W	4/7 SW	3/6 E	2/7 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	14/14	14/13	13/11	14/12	14/13	15/14	15/14	14/12	12/10
900	14/13	14/13	13/11	14/13	15/13	15/14	15/14	14/12	12/10
600	14/14	14/14	12/11	14/13	15/14	16/15	15/14	14/13	13/12
300	14/13	13/13	13/12	16/16	18/19	19/20	17/18	14/14	13/13
Glen	12/12	11/11	12/12	15/15	18/19	19/18	17/18	14/14	15/15
Freezing Level*	3500m	3400m	3300m	3100m	3200m	3200m	3200m	3100m	3100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Winds around 10 mph stronger than in the table towards Ben Hope in the afternoon and evening.

Forecast for Thursday 26 Aug 2021
Weather: Dry and mostly clear in the west through the early hours, while low cloud in the east becoming increasingly patchy, dispersing in the first few hours of the morning. Then a dry warm and sunny day, although a little cooler and less humid than previous days. Some patchy cloud in the evening, mainly in the east.

Maximum wind: East or northeast 10 mph, gusting 15-20 mph. Note, strongest winds likely to be a little below munro level.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Very good, overnight cloud above around 400m breaks up, then disperses soon after dawn. Some patchy cloud returning in the evening, mainly above 600m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 9 Celsius rising to 22 Celsius, but only 16 or 17 Celsius across Caithness.
At 800m: Plus 9 Celsius rising to 14 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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